

PROSTART

Description of Activity: ProStart is a school-to-career initiative that prepares students for the adult working world, offering on-the-job experience before graduation. This two-year industry-based program prepares students for careers in the restaurant and food service industry. Students gain valuable restaurant and food service skills through their academic and workplace experiences. School districts desiring to add the ProStart program in order to enhance a career focus program of study in food production, management, and services may use Perkins funds, provided the curriculum and inservice components are included. Instruction will follow the approved curriculum from the Hospitality and Business Alliance. Required #6 – Improve, Modernize Programs; Permissive # 3 – Work-Related Experience; Permissive #11 – Support of FACS Programs.

Curriculum: The ProStart program curriculum is developed and sponsored by the Hospitality and Business Alliance and coordinated with the Arkansas Hospitality Association. It will be used in conjunction with the frameworks for the food production, management, and services career focus program of study. This course must be taught for a total of five years after the addition of this activity.

Inservice: Inservice training has been tentatively scheduled for June 28-29, 2005, at Tyson Management Center and Arkansas Tech in Russellville. The registration fee for the two-day training will be approximately \$200, which will include instructional materials. Lodging, meals, and travel will not be covered by registration.

Cost: The cost of the ProStart curriculum is approximately \$6,300. A list of approved equipment and materials may be obtained from the program manager.

ProStart Activity

Perkins Improvement Activity Equipment List

- Description of Activity:** A two-year school-to-career initiative that prepares students for the world of work through on-the-job experiences in the restaurant and food service industry
- Curriculum Component:** The ProStart curriculum was developed and sponsored by the Hospitality and Business Alliance and coordinated with the Arkansas Hospitality Association. It is open to schools offering an approved food production, management, and services career focus program of study in FACS, and the course must be taught for a total of five years after the addition of this activity.
- Inservice Component:** Inservice will be conducted June 28-29, 2005, at the Tyson Management Center and Arkansas Tech in Russellville. The registration fee of \$200 will cover the cost of materials and lunch. Additional meals and lodging will not be included.
- Equipment Component:** Basic equipment required as part of the food production, management, and services career focus program of study should be in place prior to implementing the ProStart activity.

Approved Equipment:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
Instructional materials	First year/Level one: Includes curriculum and reference materials, VCR instructional tapes, and a tool kit, which includes lesson plans, assessment instruments, and additional materials	\$3,690
	Second year/Level two: Includes curriculum and reference materials, VCR instructional tapes, and a tool kit, which includes lesson plans, assessment instruments, and additional materials	\$2,610

Suellen Ward, Program Manager Family and Consumer Sciences (501) 682-1115

Commitment/Registration Form ProStart

June 28-29, 2005
Arkansas Tech University
Russellville

Deadline for registration is June 10, 2005. No refunds after this date.
Maximum number of participants is 30.

Name: _____

School: _____

School Address: _____
City State Zip

School Telephone: _____ School Fax: _____

Home Telephone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Teacher:

I understand that by participating in this inservice activity, I agree to incorporate this course into my family and consumer sciences program of study beginning in the 2005-06 school year. I understand that I must teach this course for a total of five years or else relinquish the equipment purchased as part of this activity.

Teacher Signature _____ Date _____

Superintendent:

I agree to support this course as a new offering in the family and consumer sciences department for the 2005-06 school year. The school district will purchase the required equipment and supplies through Perkins Improvement Funds. I understand that this course must be taught in the department for a total of five school years or else equipment purchased will be relinquished to the state.

Superintendent Signature _____ Date _____

Perkins Consortium Coordinator

I understand that this school district desires to implement the ProStart activity for the 2005-06 school year through the use of its Perkins Improvement Funds. I agree to work with the school to purchase the necessary equipment and supplies and, if necessary, retrieve the items purchased at the direction of the FACS program manager.

Perkins Consortium Coordinator Signature _____ Date _____

To complete the registration, you must mail this form along with a check or purchase order for \$200 to the FACS state office. Registration does not cover lodging.

Make checks or purchase orders **payable to AATFACS / FACS Inservice**

Mail to: Suellen Ward, FACS Program Manager
Three Capitol Mall Room 408
Luther S. Hardin Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Phone: (501) 682-1115
Fax: (501) 682-9440